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Skill Development Programme
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted a feasibility study to understand the quality of vocational and entrepreneurial skills of the North-eastern people and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any special schemes are being implemented by the Government to enhance women participation in the skill development programmes and entrepreneurship in North-eastern region and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has established vocational training programme centres in the North-eastern Region and if so, the details thereof including the funds allocated and spent in the last two years?

Answer

(a) No study has been done to specifically understand the quality of vocational and entrepreneurial skills of the North-eastern people. However, Skill Gap Study for North East covering 5 States (Assam, Manipur, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram) was done by the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) which was updated in 2015.

(b) Under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY), a flagship scheme of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, which is being implemented in the North Eastern Region as well, training is being provided to help the youth to become employable and earn their livelihood. A number of incentives are provided under the Scheme to enhance women's participation - women candidates are reimbursed the cost incurred in travelling to and from the training centres upon successful completion of non-residential skill training programmes; and post placement support is also extended to women to enable them to settle in their jobs/ vocations under wage employment.

(c) The Directorate General of Training (DGT) is implementing a Scheme titled 'Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in NE States & Sikkim' to promote skill development, since 2011. The Scheme, inter alia, envisages establishment of 22 new ITIs @ Rs.9.50 crores per Industrial Training Institute (ITI) in 8 North Eastern States and an amount of Rs.36.37 crores (including 90% Central and 10% State share) has been released in the last two years (including current year).

Further, PMKVY training centres have been established in North Eastern States. 67 training centres have been allocated targets for undertaking skill trainings under PMKVY 2.0.